THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Setting up of Sub-Stations

1803. SHRI HARIVANSH SAHAI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the reasons for not starting the construction work on power sub-stations at Satraon and Vankata in Uttar Pradesh despite approval to the aforesaid sub-stations and the funds have also been released :

(b) the time by which the work is likely to be started thereon and is expected to be completed; and

(c) the time by which the power sub-station at madhubani as expected to be sanctioned ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) and (b) UPSEB has informed that the work on Power sub-stations at Satraon and Vankata in Uttar Pradesh could not be taken up so far due to paucity of funds. The requisite funds for Satraon sub-station have been released only on 26.2.1997 and the work is likely to start immediately and is expected to be completed by December, 1997. However, funds for Vankata sub-station have been released and hence the expected date of completion cannot be indicated.

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration.

[English]

Assam Oil Fields

1804. SHRI ISWAR PRASANNA HAZARIKA :
DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA :
SHRI KESHAB MAHANTA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the estimated reserves of assoicated and free gas in the proven wells and deposits in the oil fields of Assam separately under ONGC and OIL;

(b) the manner in which these reserves are committed to existing and furture projects;

(c) the projects where ONGC and OIL are unable to meet the increased demand from existing projects;

(d) whether the Government plans to divert and utilise the associated gas presently being flared to meet at least a part of the said additional demand;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the ONGC and OIL propose to produce free gas from Assam oil fields during the Ninth Plan to meet requirements of existing and proposed future projects; and

(g) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) Proved associated and free gas reserves estimated in the ONGC fields in Assam are 12370.8 MMm^3 and 1203.9 MMm^3 respectively. The estimated balance recoverable reserves of associated gas and free gas in OIL's fields in Assam are 53,512 MMm^3 and 30,021 MMm^3 respectively.

(b) 10 MMSCMD of gas has been allocated to various projects in Assam.

(c) The current availability of gas in Assam is 3.33 MMSCMD as against the allocation of 5.76 MMSCMD to existing projects. Requests for additional supply have been received from HFC, Namrup and ASEB, Lakwa.

(d) and (e) 0.64 MMSCMD is currently being flared in Assam. The flaring is being reduced to the technically minimum level through installation of pipelines and compressors.

(f) and (g) ONGC and OIL plan to produce around 2.91 MMSCMD of free gas in the IXth Plan.

[Translation]

Non-Implementation of Jawahar Rojgar Yojana

1805. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH :
SHRIMATI BHAVNA BEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA :

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the States in which Jawahar Rojgar Yojana has not been yet implemented in the country;

(b) the efforts made by Union Government for conducting training programmes and adequate monitoring to make the said programme successful; and

(c) the amount of funds utilised each year out of the total funds allocated during Eight Five year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) is being implemented in the Rural areas of all States/Union Territories of India except Chandigarh and Delhi.

(b) Orientation/training to the officers handling JRY works at various levels i.e. at State/DRDA/Panchayat Samiti & village Panchayat levels are organized to equip the implementing staff/agency with the latest developments in implementation of JRY. The programme is continuously

monitored through monthly, quarterly and annual progress reports and by the officials of the districts, State and Central Government through their periodical visits. Instructions have also been issued to the State Governments to constitute vigilance and monitoring committees at the State, distirct and village levels to make the implementation of the programme more effective.

(c) The amount of funds utilised each year under JRY out of the total funds allocated during Eighth Five Year Plan are given below:-

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Allocation (Centre + State)	Expenditure
1992-93*	3169.05	2709.59
1993-94*	4059.42	3878.71
1994-95*	4376.92	4268.33
1995-96*	4848.70	4466.91
1996-97	2236.79	1235.86 (Upto December, 1996)

* Including Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) & Million Wells Scheme (MWS).

[English]

Monitoring and Vigilance Committee

1806. SHRIMATI BHAVNA BEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have issued instructions to the State Government to set up a Monitoring and Vigilance Committee at the block, district and at the state levels to monitor and exercise vigilance over the implementation of various rural employment schemes;

(b) if so, the details of States which have followed the instructions so far and which have not followed the instructions as yet;

(c) whether the Members of Parliament of the area and MLAs etc. have also been included in such Committees by the State Governments; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to issue fresh instructions to the State Governments in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Governments of Mizoram, Assam, Kerala, Union Territory of Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli have informed that they have constituted the Monitoring and Vigilance Committees. Other States/Union Territories are in the process of constituting these committees.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

Water Scarcity in Gujarat

1807. SHRI P.S. GADHAVI :
SHRI VIJAY HARISHCHANDRA PATEL :

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned 'Give us water, or we will die' appeared in the "Times of India" dated 7th January, 1997 and state whether the Union Government have sent any expert team to assess the gravity of the water scarcity in the affected areas of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details of the reports submitted by the team;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to send any such team to assess the situation; and

(d) the assistance provided for making availability of water in the scarcity areas of Gujarat so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir. However no expert team has been sent to Gujarat.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Under the normal Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme, the Central assistance of Rs. 40.395 crore has been provided to the State Government of Gujarat during 1996-97 for safe drinking water supply in the scarcity and other rural areas. The State Government has also sanctioned Rs. 98.00 crore Scarcity Master Plan 1996-97 to cope UP with water Supply scarcity in the State.

[Translation]

MPLADS – Guidelines

1808. SHRI BRAJ MOHAN RAM : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to implement the guidelines laid down for MPs in MP's Local Area Development Scheme;